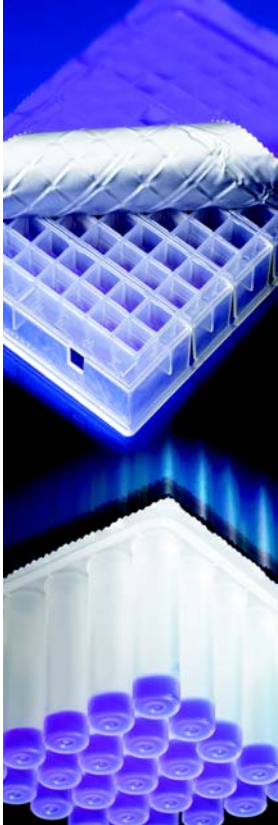


Copan Italia Announce the Incorporation of CMT Srl



Copan Milk Test: From Copan Division to Stand-Alone Company

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Copan Italia Spa is proud to announce today that Copan Milk Test (CMT) business unit has been incorporated as CMT Srl, a stand-alone company completely dedicated to develop and to manufacture traditional and rapid innovative multi-technology solutions for quality control testing in the dairy industry.

CMT research and development started in Copan in 1994 by Copan R&D group. The group developed a very innovative solution which integrates the nutrients in the test medium thus avoiding activation steps, and achieved a spore stabilization that allows long stability with 12 months shelf life and sensitivity close to MRL for beta-lactams and sulphonamides.

The validation and recognition of CMT high quality standards by key international scientific institutes, the expertise of the technical support and the reliability in the product supply chain allowed CMT to establish itself during the past eight years as a reference test in some of the most important milk control stations and dairies worldwide.

This has created the solid foundations for the creation of a stand-alone company.

Bringing together all scientific, technical, and commercial knowledge on antibiotics residues testing owned by the Copan Milk Test team into a new independent company is a strategic decision which follows the success of the constitution of Micro-rheologics Srl in 2003. This company is focused on an innovative technology, patented by Copan, which is targeting the optimization of pre-analytics. "It is Copan Italia corporate strategy to manage the company's business expansion by creating stand-alone companies" states Daniele Triva, general manager of Copan Italia.

CMT Srl mission is to develop and to manufacture traditional and rapid innovative multi-technology solutions for quality control testing in the dairy industry. CMT Srl headquarters will remain on the same premises where the division operates today in the city of Brescia, Italy. CMT Srl managing director is Daniele Triva and the business development manager is Michela Ferrari. Contractual obligations on CMT product line currently in charge of Copan Italia Spa are entirely transferred to CMT Srl .

Copan would like to thank all of the customers and all the people who helped us making this happen and wishes to the CMT team all the best for this new important challenge.

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